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When voting by machine comes to be the rule, as it is bound to be in time, the counting of ballots will be automatic, and mistakes and recounts will be things of the past. This is one of the strongest arguments in favor of the early adoption of voting machines ev-

Essex County Herald.

Germany's decay in musical matters is beginning. It has been found advisable lately to provide analytical programmes at Dresden concerts.

It is stated that the falling off in the demand for eigars in the United States during 1896 amounted to 7,-000,000, and this loss is largely credited to cycling.

One of the oldest and most influential daily newspapers in the city of Mexico, El Monitor Republicano, annonness its voluntary suspension on the ground of dissatisfaction with the existing libel law. The paper is liberal, but opposes the Government.

A cultivated English enthusiast, who had "settled" in the Whitechapel district of London to do good to the people by precept and example, said recently that the denizens of the region came to have a kindly feeling for him, but that obviously it sprang chiefly from pity. "They looked upon me," he said, "as an idiot."

That New York City has a dialect peculiar to itself is something which visitors from other parts of the country are quick to remark. Eugene H. Babbitt, of the Department of Germanic Languages of Columbia College and Secretary of the American Dialect Society, has been making a study of 243 Middle St., - - Portland, Me. the language of New York, and has an article on the subject in the current number of the society's publication. In his introduction he says: "The fact is that New York City and vicinity are and always have been something men is at work excavating, etc., and distinct, not only from the rest of the State, but the whole current of Anglo-Saxon traditions which has dominated the foundation and continuance of the American commonwealth."

> man who has wheels in his head may be cured by bieyeling. It is strongly prices. The printing was also gotten has not been forgoten. recommended by Dr. Hammond, of up in true English style, and every-At the Michigan State Asylum for the of Mrs. Shepard, wife of the senior Insane at Kalamazoo, instead of moping in the house or taking forced exercise taken on their wheels, weekly, for la plentiful lunch is taken along, and the occasion becomes a picnic. Little incidents which happen to the wheels and require repairing are an unwonted cause for thoughtfulness, and the minds of the riders are filled with new and healthful interests.

Listen to what the Augusta Chronicle says about Georgia: "Georgia can raise better hogs and cattle than the West ; better turnips than Nova Scotia, and at least equals Maryland in terrapin and oysters. Her fish supply is superb along the coast and in the water courses of the inland. Experts say that she has a gold belt superior to that of the Pacific States. Her 'possum and 'taters cannot be surpassed. Her peaches do not challenge those of California or Delaware, but easily take first rank, and if her Indian peach were revived, there would be no Mr. Paul was the leader, and for the kind of comparison. Texas raises more cotton, but Texas is nowhere in manufacture of the fabric in rivalry with Georgia. We regret to say that Georgia is delinquent in one thingshe apparently prefers to patronize products away from home, when her own home industries are just as good."

A San Francisco carpenter who used

to be a miner has discovered in one of the streets of that city a vein of quartz containing both gold and silver in quantities that indicate the presence of a large deposit of rich ore. He refuses to reveal the position of this ledge, because the only outcropping of ill-fame of which the police have not had cognizance. They flourish, or of it about which he knows is on mu- have flourished, because patrolmen or nicipal property, and, as all the land in the vicinity is covered with houses, he does not see how he is going to get any profit out of his find. He has, however, obtained a few specimens from the vein, and has had them assayed, with the result of showing that the ore, if it runs as well, contains \$12.40 in gold and \$2.60 in silver to the ton. The carpenter is try- will be there with his annual donation ing to think out some method of deriving advantage from his inconveniently situated mine, and meantime is worrying because people are walking over it every day, and somebody with more money than himself may notice dinner, and expect this time to break the quartz vein, buy the adjacent property, and make a fortune. There have been several other discoveries of valuable ore within the limits of San Francisco, but none so rich as this one seems to be, and in no case have the difficulties incidental to urban mining been overcome.

BOSTON LETTER.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE, [

The trouble which has been agitating "Brimstone Corner," otherwise Park Street Church—the church of Lyman Beecher and Rev. W. H. H. Murray-is apparently now settling. Rev. I. II. Lansing preached sermons too sensational for the parishioners, and they asked his resignation. Mr. Lausing refused, and the society, through its committee, and without consulting the pastor, cut his salary down from \$7000 to \$4500. The pastor smiled screnely, and remarked to himself, and, incidentally, to the public, that it takes two people to make a contract and two people to break a contract, and that he reckoned Park Street Church would pay its bills, This action "brought the committee to its milk," and then both sides began to dicker. First the committee offered Mr. Lansing his salary in full to get out. The pastor said that was no gift, and it was only what the society owed him. That proposition was simply the original one that he resign. Finally they have offered him his salary in full and six months' bonus besides, to get out, and it is understood that the pastor has accepted the offer. Of course, Mr. Lansing was strongly intrenched, as under the rules of the Congregational Church a settled minister cannot be removed except for misdemeanor. The only way to get rid of him is to disband. Mr. Lansing has beaten his opponents at every point,

As soon as it was an assured fact that the railroad commissioners and the mayor would approve the plans of Boston Terminal Company for the new Union station, the old York & New England railroad depot and several other buildings were torn down and ground cleared for the structure. Pending the presidential election, and while settlement of the silver question was still in doubt, it was impossible to float the six or seven millions of bonds needed satisfactority, and so things were at a standstill. Everything, however, is now arranged and a small army of an increasing army will be daily put

The police did a good job last week in running a couple of swindlers to their holes and capturing them be-It has been demonstrated that the circulars advertising an enormous sale of dry goods, the property of a bank-rupt London house, at fabulously low it is pleasant to reord that he, too, thing was "quite English, you know." New York, the great insanity expert. One of its circulars fell into the hands Shepard, Norwell & Co., the great dry goods dealers, showed it to her husband, who, realizaround the grounds, the patients who | ing that a swindle was on foot, showed are considered fit for instruction are it to the police. The game, of course, by accident, and we not suicides. collect payment, or part payment, in ten mile ride in parties of from five to advance, in which event no goods were eight, in charge of two attendants. A sent. If it was necessary to send goods, a much inferior quality was delivered. The swindlers were captured just as they had got scared and were going back to New York. They confessed that they had worked their game with great success in nearly all of the great cities of the country, but had never before come to grief.

> The School Board did an excellent piece of work last week in Its organization for 1897, in defeating Mr. Isaac F. Paul for re-election as chairman. More scandals have been connected with the board during the past year than at any time in its history. When Mr. Paul appointed his committees a year ago those who had helped him to election were remembered, and those who had opposed him were ignored. At Monday night's meeting over the discussion regarding contract signed and later withdrawn by the mayor, and in which Mr. Paul's interest was apparent, and in the action rescinding the order whereby a useless and costly piece of land was taken, Messrs. Paul, Strange and Gallivan were the dauntless three who tried in every way to block the game. other side the leader was Mr. Lowell, of the famous old Boston family. Refined, courtly and polished, gaining a little something at every encounter, until his point was finally gained, he presented a refreshing contrast in every way to his opponent, Mr. Paul's defeat is looked upon as another blow at Atwood and Atwoodism, for the two men have been very thick.

The last of the policy writers of any note has folded his tent and "flew de Several of them were rich and powerful, but the police board started out a few years ago to exterminate them. It has taken all these years to do it. When the police really intend to stop a thing they can do it. There is probably not, nor has there been, a superior officers, or both, have shut their eyes and refused to see. The policy writers thought time would work events in their favor, but have acknowledged their mistake.

The newspaper men will have their annual "square meal" at the American House on Tuesday. The mayor will be there, there will be short speeches and original poems; Mr. Henry Faxon, the rumsellers' scourge, of dictionaries for prizes, wherever prizes are given (this year it will be for the best conundrum), and there will be vaudeville artists from some of the theatres. "Little Egypt" is not expected to be present. The boys always have a good time at their annual the record.

The redoutable and iconoclastic Col. Robert G. Ingersoll will again visit Boston on Sunday. Whether people believe what Col. Ingersoll says or not, it is an incontrovertible fact that he can hold an audience spellbound, and if the term "silver-tongued" can be applied to anyone since the death of Wendell Phillips, it can be applied to the great agnostic.

Poor old George Coes, who has given enjoyment in his long career as a miustrel to millions, is sick and nearly destitute at his home in Cambridge and a benefit was given him last week at the Bowdoin Square Theatre. Those who never saw the late Luke Schoolcraft (and, by the way, that was his right name.) and George Coes in their inimitably funny act, have missed much. Schoolcraft, who was a devoted son and husband, straight, honorable and upright in every particular, died some years ago, and now his old-time partner is lying suffering from a paralytic shock. Mr. Coes has not been brought to his pres ent pass by dissipation, for no better citizen has ever breathed. He is 68 cears old, and since he was a child of years has been the support of his other and invalid sister, and since his marriage, of course, of his wife, He was a Providence boy, and in his long career has played all over the world, and with all of the old-time ights from George Christie down, The famous Merris Brothers-all of the famous four Lon and "Billy" Morris, J. T. Trowbridge and "Johnny Pell, are now dead-"Charley" Backus, later of Birch, Wambold and Backus, the finest team that ever stepped on a stage, the name is legion of those who have been connected with Mr. Coes since he vent on the stage in 1843. At one tine Mr. Coes was stage manager of the Union Lyceum Thea tre in New York. The names of Schoolcraft and Coes call up pleasant recollections of the old minstrels of 30 or 40 years are—almost all dead or dropped out of sight. The theatres are handsomer now than then, the scenery and lighting and mechanical devices are better, but they do not put up the old-time show. That was the time of Dan Stehell, the friend of Artemas Ward, and later lost at sea, and the Morris Brothers, of Cool Bur gess, the funiest man who ever walked; the Buckleys, Lingard, "Dutch" Budworth, "Fatty" Stewart, "Bob Hart," laer, who, as Rev. J. W. Sutherland, the evangelist, after a debauch in New fork took brandy and morphine with fatal effect; "Eph" Horn, Harry Bloodgood, "Andy" Horn, Harry Bloodgood, Leavitt, J. W. McAndrews, "the water-melon man;" Jim Mafit, one of the best clowis, pantonimists and comedians who ever came before the public; Ed Harrigas and poor Tony Hart, who, as young fellows, were working hard, old 'Hughey" Dougherty, Gus Willams, who, little more than a boy, was jest becoming fa-mous; Dick Ralph Billy Asheroft. fore much damage had been done. The | and a very lorg lin of others. Like swindlers had flooded the city with | most actors, the time and the purse of Mr. Coes were always at the disposal

Escaping gas cased no less than seven victims in Boton on Monday night. Three little gris, asleep in one bed in Roxbury, She two men in each of vo beds in other parts of the South nd were found dead. The fatalitieswere all caused was to show samples, and, if possible. The deaths in this wy since the gen eral introduction to the so-called "water gas" (a mixtre of anthracite coal gas, naphtha vpor and steam. replacing the old-fasioned gas from soft coal), are alarongly on the increase, and investiations are in progress. In 1896 also there were 31 such deaths, of whicl however, seven were suicides.

Charles Barron, log the leading man of the famous ild Boston Museum company, has ben this week at the Bowdoin Square in one of his early creations. Mr. larron has been little before the publ of late years. And, speaking of thetrical affairs, I notice that John L. billivan is going on the stage again. Iso that he has sworn off again. 'his atter may count this time, as h has been told that a return to drinkmears a breaking out of the cancerus afectior for which he has been trated in the tos pital, and under the argeor's knite, 8 8 8 8 9

The big fight overthe three cit. offices in the gift of the two boards broke on Monday nitt, when the matter was taken from the table. The two sides, one led by Alderman Berwin and the other by Alderman Lee and Barry, slung vituprations at each other and called each other liars (although not in thos exact words) for an hour or two, and finally the matter was again tablel until Monday night. The common council, at its Thursday evening meeting, hung the matter up until next veck's meeting of the board of aldernen. 0 0 0 0 0

Up at the Legislature a bill has been introduced which, if earried, will abolish the School Board, a new board to be created of seven members, appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the Board of Aldernen, Gross scandals have been connected with boards; but this body is, nevertheless, preferable to one formed as the new bill would have it formed,

One of the annual events of the sea son is the ball of the Catholic Irish Society, The ball takes place this year on Jan, 27, in Music Hall, and members of the society expect to celipse all records.

The thief who has been taking books from the Public Library for months has been caught. He is an enigma. He is Prof. Carl Christinson of the college at Waterloo, Ia. When corralled he invited officers to his room, showed them the books, told how many he had stolen, and also told them he had been stealing books from Hartford, Conn.

The long-talked-of change at the Boston Herald has taken place, and Col. E. H. Wood is again at the head of affairs. It is an open secret that the Herald, once a mint, has not for the last few years been making the money of yore. Incompetent management is said to have been the cause.

Experimental gymnasiums have been established in two of the police stations, and a competent instructor engaged. Officers must keep "trained down" so that they will not get fat and flabby. All kinds of exercises are ordered, including boxing. If the experiment is a success, it will be extended to all the stations in the city.

A SERIOUS MATTER.

New Hampshire Men Charged With Grave Crime.

Alleged Spendthrift, Brother and Postmaster Implicated.

INTERVALE, N. H. Jan. 26-The arrest, of Postmaster Reuben M. Weeks and Her-bert S. Mudgett, a well-known hotel keeper at this place, has created a sensation throughout this part of the country, where both are well known. The arrests were made at the instance of Post-office Inspector James Bullard of Boston, and the facts as alleged are these: Herbert S. Mudgett is a younger brother of Frank Mudgett, both of whom have been engaged in the hotel business here, succeeding their father some years ago. Frank Mudgett is a spendthrift, a drunkard, and was before his recent marriage to Miss Annie Glassett of Boston a married man. He is or was until recently an inmate of the Forrest Gler, Institute, He is and inmate of the Forrest Glen Institute. He is also the father of Miss Glassett's eighteen-

months'-old child.

Miss Giassett had frequently visited Frank Mudgett at his notel and last summer spent five weeks there. On October 24, 1896, they were married in Boston by a justice of the peace. Mr. Mudgett returning at one to In-tervale and his newly wedded wife to her mother's home. They corresponded fre-quently for some time, when the correspond-

quently for some time, when the correspondence suddenly ceased.

Applying at the postoffice in South Boston, Miss Giassett or Mrs. Mudgett found an order purporting to have been signed by her, ordering all her mall to be sent to Lower Bartlett, N. H.

The postoffice inspectors followed the matter up, and it was found that Herbert Mudgett was in connivance with the post-master, getting the mail at Lower Bartlett. master, getting the mail at Lower Bartiert.
A decoy letter was forwarded and Frank
Modgett and Inspector Builard—the latter
incognitio—demanded it but were told no
letter so addressed was in the office. Then
the Inspector recealed his identity, the letter
was forthermore and the arrest follows. was forthcoming and the arrests followed. Herber: Mudgett is charged with forgery nd tampering with the mails: Postmaster Weeks with detaining mail and with connivance and the charge of bigamy may perhaps be pressed against Frank Mudgett. Miss Glassett claims not to have known that

Mudgett was married. MASSACHUSETTS GOT 1904.

Report of Irish Emigrant Society-More Women Than Men.

NEW YORK, Jan 26—The report of President James Rorke, of the Irish emigrant ociety for 1895 shows that of the 488 emigrants from Ireland detained at Ellis Island during the year, out of a total of 21,749 arriving at this port, the city procured the admission of 442 by obtaining the neeevidence from relatives and friends. Of the 46 who were returned to their native country, three were insane, seven had come over in violation of the contract labor law, and 36 were prohibited as likely to become public charges. The total excess of women was 2,777. Nearly half of all the Irish immigrants or 10,182 remained in New York. The-next largest number, 2,423, went to Pennsyl-vania. Massachusetts got 1,904, New Jersey 1,693, and Connecticut 1,462.



Edward Hanlon, the world famous Canatian oarsman, who will soon go to England in search of the scalps of the English oarsmen who are willing to row him, is one of the most remarkable athletes of the century. He has been a professional oarsman for 24 years and during a good part of the time has held world's championships. He is 42 years of age, and during his racing career has won close to \$320,000 in prizes. He has raced in every civilized country on the globe. Hanlon is in good financial circumtances and has a family of five children. he youngest of these is a boy of 7, who aready shows a marked fondness for the

Vill Work Their Way North. BOTON, Mass., Jan. 26—Manager Selee of the toston Base Ball club has made arrangements through the president of the Southern league for the Bostons to have control c the grounds at Savannah, Ga., for two of bree weeks in the spring. The for two of hree weeks in the spring. The Boston teal, 16 men strong will leave about the middle c March by boat for Savannah, play five gans with the local club, followed by games wittother clubs of the Southeastern league, an at the conclusion of its stay in Savannah we start homeward by raif, playing games who the teams on the way with which arratements can be made. The team will arrive a the place assigned for its opening game of the champlonship season in team will arrive a the piace assigned to opening game of the hampionship season in ample time for the wato obtain a good rest before entering on sions business.

WILL PITCH FO. WORCESTER. Natick High's Pitch Sure of Place on Holy Cros Nine.

WORCESTER, Mass., an. 26—Thomas Dowd, the high school pitter of Natick, Mass., has entered Holy Cross-ollege, Dowd was born at Natick 19 years a.g., is 6 feet 1 inch and weighs 170. The Natick-ligh school team won the pennant of the Miolesex interscholastic league last year. The league was composed of the Framingham, Cancord, Waltham and Natick high schools. This young twirler pitched 17 games last seeson, out of which he won 14 and lost three. In four of the championship games he has a record of 75 strike outs, 13 hits and six record of 75 strike outs, 13 hits and six bases on bails. In one of these games he struck out 20 with no hits or bases on balls. A series of eight games was played for the pennant and he won all. Dowdwould graduate from the Natick high school this year.

As a ball player he probably will outrival his brother, Edward Dowd, now of the Harvard

FOUND KNIVES AND A KEY. Convict's Escape Frustrated-Prisoner's Plot Betrayed.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 26-The officials of the Ohio state prison have discovered a plot to murder guards and execute a general delivery of convicts. The conspiracy was betrayed by one of the prisoners taken into the plot. Search brought to light a num ber of knives and a key that would un lock all the cells in the range in which th prisoners were kept. The plan was to make a rush on the guard room at 6 o clock in the evening, when the guards are changed, and ons in the city. knife any guard that interfered with their observer.

General Vermont News.

Teams have been crossing on the fee from Chimney Point to Port Henry, N. Y. During the recent cold spell the thermometer registered 14 degrees below zero.

Mrs. Sally Rathbun of Briston, wife of George W. Rathbun, died recently of cancer During the recent cold spell the thermom-eter registered 12 below zero at West Sals-

Walter Young, of Monkton, was badly hurt by a falling tree while at work recently in the woods

Freeman F. W. Weston of Andover, has just died, aged 75 years. He was the father of Dr. Weston of New Haven. Walter D. Taylor, of Vergennes and Verna I. Colton, of Ludlow were married recently in Pittsford, by Rev. C. H. Smith.

Elijah Whitney of Middlesex has made an assignment of his property in favor of all his creditors and J. W. Brock of Montpelier has een appointed assignee. Mrs. Charles Merrill of Olcott who was

recently taken to the Waterbury asylum died there last week the body being brought to Olcott for burial.

John Millington, of Shaftsbury, who was shot by his brother Solomon in an alterca-tion died of his injuries. The brother is in jail. The quarrel was over an empty out bag. daughter of John Purinton, died recently man issued a little library of brain fever and pneumonia. She was printed entirely in shorth about 16 years old and was a most estimable from the Bible to "Rasselas."

young lady. Rev. M. R. France of Hinesburgh has been engaged by the Sons of Veterans to deliver the Union Defenders day address at Huntington in February.

At the annual meeting of the Essex Juncion Congregational church Aid society Mrs. A. E. Read was elected president: Mrs. D. J. Hunter, vice president: Mrs. Dora Read secretary and treasurer.

The Montpelier High School club has elected officers as follows: President, Wheslan, '98; vice-president, Miss Deavitt, '98; secretary, Emery, '99; treasurer, Huse, '99. The Ladies' Aid Society of the Montgom-ery Methodist church has elected these officers: President, Mrs. J. W. Goodspeed; vice-president, Mrs. A. Provo: secretary, and treasurer, Mrs. B. H. Gilbert.

Mrs. Jessie Larrabee of Orwell, who has been in Rutland the past year as teacher of music, is in ill health and spending her vafannie Stearns of Rutland.

While H. A. Ayer, an electrician in the imploy of the Lincoln and Bristol Telephone Company, was stringing wires recent-ly in South Lincoln he fell from a telephone pole, breaking his back in two pinces, At the annual meeting of the East Berk-

shire Congregational church society, the following officers have been chosen: Moder-erator, W. J. Olds: clerk, W. D. Samson; secretary and treasurer, H. N. Domina; committee, A. S. Sykes, I. S. Anderson, L. Wilson The union Sunday school of Huntington has elected the following officers: Super-intendent, W. E. Martin: assistant superin-tendent, Mrs. Lavina Sweet; secretary, Mrs. Helen Crane; treasurer, Mrs. Mary Wyman;

organist, Miss Gertrude Phillips : librarians, Walter Durand and Eula Scoffeld. John B. Gear of Cornwall, has just died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mile B. Williamson, with whom he had resided for the past seven years. Wr. Gear was totally blind and had been in feeble health for some time. He leaves a widow, who is an invalid and resides with another daughter in Michigan.

Mrs. Emily Powers of East Middlebury died recently at the home of her grandson Harmon Clark. Mrs. Powers was a sister of William A. Arnold and aunt of W. W. Arnold of East Middlebury. She was a kind friend, possessing a rare goodness of heart. Her whole life was devoted to labor of heart and hands for those she loved, and with whom

she lived. At the annual meeting of the Montne-At the annual meeting of the Montpe-lier Capital Savings bank the following directors were elected: T. J. Deavitt, Alex-ander Cochran, George S. Sibley, A. J. Sib-ley, George L. Blanchard, H. N. Taplin, The directors organized thus: President, T. J. Deavitt; first vice-president, Alexander Cochran: second vice-president, Albert Johonnott; treasurer, F. N. Smith.

Mrs. Anna Stafford, of Vergennes, died of heart failure at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Julia A. Botsford, Mrs. Stafford was 75 years old. She was born in Addison and was the daughter of the late Amos Willmarth of that town. She was twice married. Her first husband was Henry W. Warner of Crown Point, N. Y., who died many years ago. She afterward married Mr. Harris Stafford of Essex, N. Y., who died in 1889, since which time she has resided here with her daughter.

and aggrieved employes will bring up matter before the railway unions. I maintained that Americans receive positi

St. Louis papers anounce the death from St. Louis papers anounce the death from apoplexy at his home in that city of Judge George Denison. Judge Denison was born in Hartland, Vt., in 1832, was for two years a student at the University of Vermont, graduating from Amherst in 1855. He began the practice of law in St. Louis in 1858 with James J. Noble and Geo. Chandler, two other Vermontage. He accepted a term of the vermontage. other Vermoniers. He served a term as judge of Recorder's court, and later two terms as Police Court judge. The remains were interred at Godfrey, III. He leaves a wife, four sons and a daughter.

The annual meeting of the Bennington Battle Monument and Historical Association has just been held in Bennington. New bylaws were adopted and a committee was ap-pointed with General John G. McCullough, chairman, to make arrangements for a large celebration August 16 next. Among the ob-jects of the association in its present form is to build a memorial hall to preserve revolutionary relies. Among the directors of New Hampshire ex-officio, with Henry L. Stilson, chairman of the committee on history. Four monuments have been built history. Four monuments have been outry by the association, the last marking the site of the Stark camping ground on which is cut the famous speech "There are the red coats. They are ours or Molly Stark sleeps a widow." tonight. The 23d annual ball and banquet of the

tonight."

The 23d annual ball and banquet of the Western Vermont Masonic Union has just been held in Rutland. At the annual meeting which followed the following officers were elected: President, G. E. Towne of Middlebury: vice presidents, E. N. Miller of Brandon, W. H. Kingsley of Middlebury, C. W. Mussey of Rutland, J. C. St. John of Castleton, J. H. Whipple of Manchester; treasurer, A. A. Fietcher, of Middlebury; corresponding secretary, T. W. Chapman of Middlebury; recording secretary, G. H. Shinville of Fair Haven; executive committee, P. F. Chapman of Middlebury, W. E. Scott of Brandon, D. H. Bennett of Bradford, Jake Heyman of Rutland, C. B. Allen of Fair Haven, and A. H. Varney of Pultney. It was voted to hold the next ball and banquet at Middlebury. The following were present: Henry Thompson of Bellows Falls, William Barney of Arlington, Ira B. Allen of Fair Haven, A. L. St. John of Castleton, G. W. Shinville of Fair Haven, E. N. Miller and wife of Brandon, G. E. Towne of Middlebury, Dudley B. Bull and wife of astleton, C. R. Allen and wife of Fair Haven, H. J. Jones of Poultney, C. H. Tucker and wife of Bennington, Miss M. H. Loomis of Bennington, Charles E. Kilburn of Fair Haven, Earl Kinsley of Manchester, N. H., E. M. Bamsay, George Roberts and wife of Casileon, J. H. Bromley of Pawlet, M. J. Evans of Poultney, C. C. Bean of Middlebury, H. E. Bissell, A.B. Adams and wite of Middlebury, W. H. Rowland of Poultney.

Football 1-ays. Even after deducting hospital expenses the Princeton team made \$14,787 this season.

N. H. Rowland of Poultney.

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FOUNDER HAS GONE.

Sir Isaac Pitman, Who Made Sten-

ography Practicable, Dead. LONDON, Eng. Jan. 26—The recent death is reported of Sir Isaac Pitman, not as most oblivaries have it, the man who inented shorthand writing, but the man who made it practicable. Sir Isaac Pitman was born at Trowbridge, Wiltshire, Jan. 4, 1813. and educated at the grammar school in that town. After having been clerk for some time he was trained in the normal college of the British and Foreign school society in London, and was appointed master of the Brit-ish school, Barton-on-Humber, in 1832. He established the British school at Wootonunder-Edge in 1836 and removed to Bath in 1839. His first treatise on shorthand, en-titled "Stenographic Sound-Hand," appeared in 1837, and he became the inventor of the phonetic system of writing, to which he de-voted his entire attention since 1843, in which ear the Phonetic society was formed

His system of "Phonography; or Writing of Sound, "appeared in 1840, and his "Phono-graphic Reporters" Companion" in 1853. The Phonetic Institute at Bath is really a pho-netic printing office, where Sir Isaac Pitman edited and printed the Phonetic Journal weekly, and lithographed the shorthand supplement which accom-panied it. This journal is printed in phonetic type, except a small portion in ordinary type, which records the progress of the "writing and spolling reform." Be-sides writing his own justingthen books for sides printing his own instruction books for teaching phonetic shorthand, Mr. Pit-man issued a little library of books, printed entirely in shorthand, ranging



He was knighted in 1894. London Blustrated News said: The knight-hood of Mr. Isaac Pitman is a thoroughly de-Pitman's system of shorthand has, indeed survived a good many of the ideas which it had been the means of imparting to the com-

Pitman's system of shorthand is to be found in every English-speaking country in the world, and his friends are many, both

y the work of his life.

There is no e-maus of the number of phonewspatier and law reporters abread use it, but in this country the percenting is not so large, owing to the many accepted revisions and improvements on the original system He began the work which made him fa-mous in 1837. His initiatory labor was the mous in 1837. It's initiatory labor was the publication of a four-penny shorthand system. During the entire summer of that year every leisure hour and even his holidays were devoted to the preparation and perfection of his work, and Nov. 14 it was placed before the public.

Then came years of quiet, dogged but at

the same time enthusiastic hard work, Mr. Pitman often laboring from 5 o'clock in the morning until 10 at night, doing the entire work of the office, even setting up type. His great determination was displayed when he came to the conclusion that intoxicating liquors were injurious and decided to become an abstainer. His mind made up, he quietly knocked the stopout of his beer barrel and calmly watched the contents run in the sewer.

They Object to Yankees.

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 26-Charges and dismissals are daily occurring on the Grand Trunk railway, under the new management maintained that Americans receive position made vacant by those dismissed, and the employes are strong in their denunciations of the dismissals of Canadians. It will also be asked why Canadian labor unions con-tribute to the support of international tribute to the support of international bodies, when such international bodies assist in the passage of alien labor laws against Canadian workmen.

THE SOCIAL LION. A Cabinet Possibility-May Be Sent Abroad.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 26—Just now the lion hunters are making a bid for Gen-eral Horace Porter, whom gossip is equally inclined to keep at home in the McKinley cabinet, and send abroad as the successor



OEN, HORACE PORTER. of either Bayard or Eustis. Between France and England the blithe and tremehant For-ter would not be likely to hesitate, although those who recall his impartial attitude toward such representative artists as Sir Heary Irving and Coquelin the elder, might be inclined to but in his mouth the classic words, "How happy could I be with either."

Successful Musical Festival. Successful Musical Festival.

LITTLETON, N. H., Jan. 26.—The musical festival which has just been held here, has proved very successful. Among the home talent who sang were: Miss Maude Clark of Berlin: Mrs. Hooker of Peacham, Vt.; Miss Gara Beading and Miss Grace Pinkham of Whitefield. The festival was conducted by Emil Mollenhauer of Boston, with Mrs. Martha Dana Shepard of Boston, pianist.

Remembered Washington's Funeral NEW YORK, Jan. 26—Alexander Free-nan, the oldest inmate and most interesting man, the oldest inmate and most interesting character in the Sailors' Snug Harbor, Staten Island, has just died in the hospital of the institution. He was believed to be 106 years old. For 40 years he has been an inmate of the Snug-Harbor. Mr. Freeman remembered Washington's funeral and the war of 1812.